

AMENDED IN SENATE SEPTEMBER 1, 2005

SENATE BILL

No. 262

Introduced by Senator Dunn

February 15, 2005

~~An act relating to combinations in restraint of trade.~~ *An act to add Section 6046.7 to the Business and Professions Code, relating to law schools.*

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

SB 262, as amended, Dunn. ~~Combinations in restraint of trade.~~ *Committee of Bar Examiners: unaccredited law schools.*

Existing law, the State Bar Act, provides for the licensing and regulation of attorneys by the State Bar of California. Under existing law, the Committee of Bar Examiners examines all applicants for admission to practice law. Existing law also requires that law schools not accredited by the examining committee of the State Bar provide every student with a specified disclosure statement.

This bill would make the Committee of Bar Examiners responsible for the regulation, and oversight of unaccredited law schools.

~~Existing law prohibits, as specified, restraints on competition and makes the prohibited activity subject to various remedies.~~

~~This bill would express the Legislature's intent to examine the provisions prohibiting restraints on competition to determine whether they sufficiently prevent anticompetitive activity and protect consumer choice.~~

Vote: majority. Appropriation: no. Fiscal committee: no.
State-mandated local program: no.

The people of the State of California do enact as follows:

- 1 ~~SECTION 1. It is the intent of the Legislature to examine the~~
2 ~~provisions of Chapter 2 (commencing with Section 16700) of~~
3 ~~Part 2 of Division 7 of the Business and Professions Code to~~
4 ~~determine whether they sufficiently prevent anticompetitive~~
5 ~~activity and protect consumer choice in the marketplace.~~
6 ~~SECTION 1. Section 6046.7 is added to the Business and~~
7 ~~Professions Code, to read:~~
8 ~~6046.7. Notwithstanding any other provision of law, the~~
9 ~~Committee of Bar Examiners shall be responsible for the~~
10 ~~approval, regulation, and oversight of unaccredited law schools.~~